

SENATE CHAMBER. }
 MONDAY, MARCH 30, 1846. }
 10 o'clock A. M.

Senate met, pursuant to adjournment—roll called, and a quorum present.

Journals of the preceding day, read and adopted.

Senator Williams, Chairman of the committee on Public Lands, to whom was referred a bill to incorporate the Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, reported the same back to the Senate, and recommended its passage with the following amendment:

Insert at the end of 1st section, "*Provided however, That if any real estate shall accrue to said corporation by donation, will, or otherwise, they shall be allowed the term of one year to sell or dispose of the same.*"

Also to whom was referred the petition of M. Cronican, reported a bill for the relief of purchasers of town or city lots, of the late Republic of Texas; read 1st time.

Also to whom was referred the petition of Wm. S. Taylor, reported recommending the rejection of the petition; report adopted.

Senator McNeel, Chairman of the committee on Education, to whom was referred a bill to incorporate Duvall Academy, and a bill to incorporate Lamar Academy, reported them back to the Senate without amendments, and recommended their passage; report adopted.

Senator Wallace, one of the committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred "a bill to organize Probate Courts" reported the same back to the Senate with amendments, and recommended its passage.

In section 1st, 3d line, strike out all after the word "Judges" and insert "whose term of service shall be four years, and who shall be elected by the citizens of said county who are legally qualified to vote for the representation thereof in the Legislature."

Strike out section 4th, and insert "*Be it further enacted, That four regular terms of the Court of Probate shall be holden in each year, in the Court House of each county, unless the District Court be in session there, and in that event, said Probate Court shall for such term hold its session in some suitable building at the seat of justice of the county—each term may continue for one week. The first regular term shall commence on the second Monday in* the second term on

the first Monday in , the third on the first Monday in
 , the fourth on first the Monday in

In section 8th, 15th line, after "*non compos mentis*" insert "may commence suit at any time within four years after their respective disabilities are removed, and not thereafter—no nuncupative will shall be established unless it be made in the time of the last sickness of the deceased, at his or her habitation, and be committed to writing within six days after the making thereof and be proved by three credible witnesses, within six calendar months from said time, or unless made by a soldier in actual military service, or by a marine while at sea; nor shall a bill made by a married woman, be established, if she marry subsequently to the date thereof."

Senator Scott, chairman of the committee on Engrossed Bills, reported that the committee had examined the following bills:

A bill to create the county of Hunt.
 A bill for the regulation of pilots.
 And find the same correctly engrossed.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

A bill for vesting in the State, escheated property.

On motion of Senator Navarro, laid on the table.

A bill to repeal an act, supplementary to an act, authorizing the issuing of duplicate land warrants, discharges and head-rights, on certain conditions, approved January 15th, 1841.—Laid on the table.

A bill to provide for the transfer of Judicial proceedings from old to new counties. Laid on the table.

A bill for the regulation of pilots; read 3d time.

Yeas and nays called on the passage of the bill, stood:

Yeas. Senators, Bagby, Burleson, Bourland, Brashear, Grimes, Hogg, Jewett, Kinney, McKinney, McNeel, Navarro, Parker, Phillips, Robinson, Scott, Williams, Williamson and Wood.—18.

Nays. Senators, Cuney, Miller, and Wallace.—3.

So the bill passed.

A bill to create the county of Hunt; read 3d time and passed.

A bill to incorporate the Huntsville Academy; read 3d time and passed.

A bill to create the county of La Vacca.

Senator Williamson moved to lay the bill on the table; lost.
Read 3d time and passed.

A bill to locate the county seat of La Vacca county; read 3d time and passed.

A bill requiring the County Surveyors to record certain field notes; ordered to be engrossed.

A bill to legalize the marriage of Sam'l M. Parry and Elizabeth Neese, and legitimate their children; passed to 3d reading.

A bill defining the mode of conveying property in which the wife has an interest.

Senator Navarro offered an amendment.

Senator Williamson moved the previous question.

Senator Wallace moved the Senate adjourn until 10 o'clock A. M. to-morrow; lost.

Question on the engrossment of the bill—

Yeas. Senators, Bagby, Bourland, Brashear, Burleson, Grimes, Jewett, Kinney, McKinney, Parker, Phillips, Robinson, Scott, Williamson, and Wood.—14.

Nays. Senators, Cuney, Hogg, McNeel, Miller, Navarro, Wallace, and Williams.—7. Carried.

Senate adjourned until to-morrow 10 o'clock A. M.

SENATE CHAMBER, }
TUESDAY, March 31, 1846. }
10 O'CLOCK A. M.

Senate met, pursuant to adjournment—roll called and a quorum present.

The Journal of the preceding day was read and adopted.

Senator Wallace presented the petition of Jas. Bowlin, praying the passage of a law authorizing the Commissioner of the General Land Office to issue a Patent for a league and labor of land; read and referred to committee on Private Land claims.

Senator Williams, Chairman of Committee on public lands, to whom was referred a bill to allow land holders to pay their dues thereon, to the government, in specie, reported a substitute for the bill, and recommended its passage substitute adopted.